

a detection device for detecting the option, selected or installed, on the first apparatus; and

launching means for automatically launching either the print software or the read software installed in the information processing apparatus depending upon the selected or installed option detected by said detection device, and for allowing displaying of an image read by said reader when said detection device detects that said reader is selected or installed.

5.6 F3 }
14. (Three Times Amended) An apparatus, having convertible options to function as a printer and a reader, which realizes a composite system in combination with an information processing apparatus to which non-control print software and non-control read software are installed, said apparatus comprising:

a detection device for detecting the option, selected or installed, on the first apparatus; and

output means for outputting a signal indicative of which of said software should be launched and for allowing displaying of an image read by said reader when said detection device detects that said reader is selected or installed.

5.6 F4 }
24. (Three Times Amended) An information processing apparatus to which non-control print software and non-control read software are installed, which realizes a composite system in combination with a first apparatus, having convertible options to function as a printer and a reader, said apparatus comprising:

launching means for automatically launching either the print software or the read software installed in the information processing apparatus depending upon the option selected or installed on said first apparatus, and for allowing displaying of an image read by said reader when said reader is selected or installed.

27. (Three Times Amended) A function execution method used in a composite system including a first apparatus having convertible options to function as a printer and a reader, and an information processing apparatus to which non-control print software and non-control read software are installed, said method characterized by comprising:

a detection step of detecting the option, selected or installed, on the first apparatus; and

a launching step of automatically launching either the print software or the read software installed in the information processing apparatus depending upon the selected or installed option detected at said detection step, and allowing displaying of an image read by said reader when it is detected in said detection step that said reader is selected or installed.

32. (Three Times) A computer program product comprising a computer usable medium having computer readable program code means embodied in said medium for a function execution method used in a composite system including a first apparatus having convertible options to function as a printer and a reader, and an information processing apparatus to which non-control print software and non-control read software are installed, said product including:

first computer readable program code means for detecting the option, selected or installed, on the first apparatus; and

second computer readable program code means for automatically launching either the print software or the read software installed in the information processing apparatus depending upon the selected or installed option detected and allowing displaying of an image read by said reader when said reader is selected or installed.

REMARKS

I. Status Of The Claims:

Claims 1-32 are pending in the application.

Claims 1-32 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112.

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